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14 FAH-4 — Diplomatic Pouch and Mail Handbook

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14 FAH-4 H-250 INCOMING POUCHES

Summary of Changes

 The revisions to this subchapter reflect current operational procedures and provide clarification on the requirements for opening pouches, processing Pouch Invoice (Form DS-3082), and processing items for other agencies.

2. Crosswalk:

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14 FAH-4 H-254.1	Receipt at Manual Posts	Deleted	Deleted
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